# Other Officials Donated Papers to U.S.

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Hubert H. Humphrey and a large number of other prominent and even middle-echelon officials donated their papers as gifts on which they presumably claimed tax deductions, the Scripps-Howard News Service reported yesterday.

Scripps-Howard said it obtained a General Services Administration list of present and former public officials who have contributed their personal papers to the government in the last 10 years for inclusion in one or more of the seven presidential libraries supervised by the GSA and the National Archives.

"While there was no indication that tax deductions were claimed under the tax provision which Congress abolished effective July 25, 1969," Scripps-Howard said, "Those making the donations had the opportunity to do so and presumably did."

Several of those donors listed by GSA told The Washington Post yesterday that they had given papers to presidential libraries and deducted their value on personal income tax returns.

John Kenneth Galbraith, the economist and former ambassador to India, said he donated several filing cabinets of papers to the John F. Kennedy Library at Cambridge, Mass., in December, 1966. The donation included book manuscripts, personal papers and a few government papers dating back to the Wold War II period, Galbraith said. The were valued at $4,500, he added.

Sorensen, who was President Kennedy's speech-writer, said he had given all of his personal and public papers to the Kennedy Library in Cambridge. He took a $75,000 tax deduction over two years, although the papers were appraised at a higher amount, he said. They included personal papers as well as speech drafts and other documents collected when he was an aide to Kennedy in the White House and in the Senate.

Three newspapermen and authors are on the list. They are Theodore H. White, author of the series of books, "The Making of the President;" Clark Mollenhoff, of the Des Moines Register's Washington bureau, and Walter Trohan, former Washington bureau chief for the Chicago Tribune.

Mollenhoff said that for several years he has given book manuscripts, working papers and speech transcripts to the Hoover Library in Iowa. "They asked me—I didn't go to them," Mollenhoff added. All the donations were of personal papers and none covered his term as a White House aide under President Nixon. The total donation, which Mollenhoff deducted on his tax returns, amounted "to a few hundred bucks," he said. "I doubt if it averaged a hundred dollars a year."